

IN THE CLAIMS:

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1. (Previously Amended) An information processing device comprising:
a first storage device for storing units of primary information;
a user operable interface for making selections from the stored units of primary information to be processed and/or from functions to be invoked;
a second storage device; and
a personalizing means for deriving personalizing information from said selections in order to store the personalizing information in the second storage device.
 2. (Previously Amended) The device according to Claim 1, wherein the personalizing means is arranged to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information.
 3. (Previously Amended) The device according to claim 2, wherein the device includes a presentation means for presenting information, the personalizing means being arranged to present a respective unit of personalizing information which is linked to a respective unit of primary information while the respective unit of primary information is being processed.
 4. (Previously Amended) The device according to Claim 2, the device being arranged to erase a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command, wherein the personalizing means is arranged to remove a link between the respective unit

of primary information and a respective unit of personalizing information, and to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

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5. (Previously Amended) The information processing device according to claim 1, the device including communication means for exchanging units of primary information with a similar information processing device, wherein the personalizing means is arranged to attach a personal tag to a unit of primary information to be sent to the similar information processing device, the personalizing means also being arranged to detach a personal tag from a received unit of primary information and store it as personalizing information in the second storage device.

6. (Currently Amended) A method for processing information, the method comprising the steps of:

storing of primary information;

selecting a portion of the primary information;

deriving personalizing information for the selected portion of the primary

information so as to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information; and

storing of the personalizing information; and

erasing a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command by removing a link between the respective unit of primary information and a respective

unit of personalizing information so as to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

7. (Previously Added) The method of claim 6, further including the step of deriving a history of personalizing information, using two or more selected portions of primary information.

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8. (Currently Amended) An information processing device comprising:
a memory for storing primary information;
an interface, wherein at least a portion of said primary information is selected; and
a processor that is operable to (1) process said portion of said selected primary information and (2) deriving personalizing information for said selection portion, said processor being arranged to maintain a link between a respective unit of said primary information and a respective unit of the personalizing information and, in erasing a respective unit of primary information in response to a user command, to remove a link between the respective unit of primary information and a respective unit of personalizing information so as to preserve the storage of the respective unit of personalizing information in the second storage device.

9. (Previously Added) The information processing device of claim 8, wherein the processor is further operable for storing the personalizing information in the memory.

10. (Previously Added) The information processing device of claim 8, wherein the processor is further operable for deriving a history of personalizing information, using two or more selected portions of primary information.

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11. (Previously Added) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said deriving serves to personalize stored units of primary information corresponding to said selections to form said personalizing information.

12. (New) The information processing device of claim 11, wherein said second storage device is in communicative connection with said first storage device.

13. (New) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said second storage device is in communicative connection with said first storage device.

14. (New) The information processing device of claim 1, wherein said personalizing information comprises an e-mail address.

